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In re the Application of

ARTHUR J. SHRADER

Group Art Unit: 3728

Parent Application
Serial Number: 09,434,792

Examiner: Luan K. Bui

Parent Application
Filed: November 5, 1999

For: PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION
FOR IMPROVED HYGIENE

DIVISIONAL APPLICATION

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted with this Preliminary Amendment there are included forms and filing fee for filing a Divisional Application directed to the subject matter of Figure 10 as filed in the parent application referenced above, now granted as United States Patent 6,311,840. In the present Divisional Application, please add the following claim which is directed to the description of Figure 10 as set forth at Column 6, lines 41-45 of United States Patent 6,311,840 (the parent case).

--25. A method of improving personal hygiene through personally identifying beverages in a container having a major exposed surface comprising:

(a) disposing on said major surface an array of normally closed indicia-representing and identifying penetrable apertures; and

(b) correlating said container with identity of a user by marking a selected one of said apertures. --

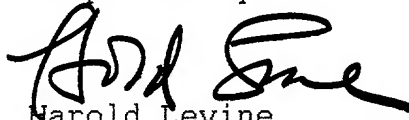
A ■ Clean Copy■ of Claim 25 is included as an Annex to this preliminary amendment. It is entitled ■ ANNEX TO PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT - CLEAN SET OF CLAIMS■ .

Please amend this divisional application by canceling all claims other than Claim 25. Please also insert in the first sentence following the title of the Application the following:- This is a division of Application No. 09/434,792, filed November 5, 1999, now United States Patent No. 6,311,840.--

Claim 25 is identified as Group III and is readable on Figure 10.

If anything further is needed to complete filing of this Divisional Application, please advise the undersigned.

Respectfully,



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ANNEX TO PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

CLEAN SET OF CLAIMS

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(b) correlating said container with identity of a user by marking a selected one of said apertures. --

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